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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 22, 2005.

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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With regard to the drawings, enclosed as Appendix 1 are clear copies of these previously submitted figures. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for substantive review on their merits. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5014.

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